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Dear Reader:

Enclosed for your review and comment is the Draft Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (Draft RMP/EIS). The DRAFT RMP/EIS proposes and analyzes four alternatives for future management of approximately 96,770 acres of federal land in northern Idaho, that are administered by the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Coeur d'Alene Field Office.

Please review the document and direct written comments to the address at the top of this letter, Attention: RMP; or email to ID_CDA_RMP@blm.gov. Comments will be most useful if they are specific, include suggested changes, mention page numbers where appropriate, and cite sources when applicable. Comment letters and emails must include your complete name, address, and phone number. We request this information in case we need clarification or have questions about your comments. BLM will not consider comments that do not include this information. Anonymous comments will not be considered. The public review period and comment period officially begins with publication of the Notice of Availability in the *Federal Register* by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and will last 90 days.

All comments that BLM receives, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the Coeur d'Alene Field Office during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the Final EIS. You may request confidentiality if you are commenting as an individual, but you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations and businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public review in their entirety.

BLM will be holding public meetings to discuss the Draft RMP/EIS. Dates, times and locations of these meetings will be distributed in newsletters, announced in local news media, and posted on the project website (http://www.blm.gov/rmp/id/cda/).

Thank you for your participation in this planning effort. For additional information or clarification regarding this document or the planning process, please contact Scott Pavey, RMP Project Manager, at (208) 769-5059.

Sincerely,

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